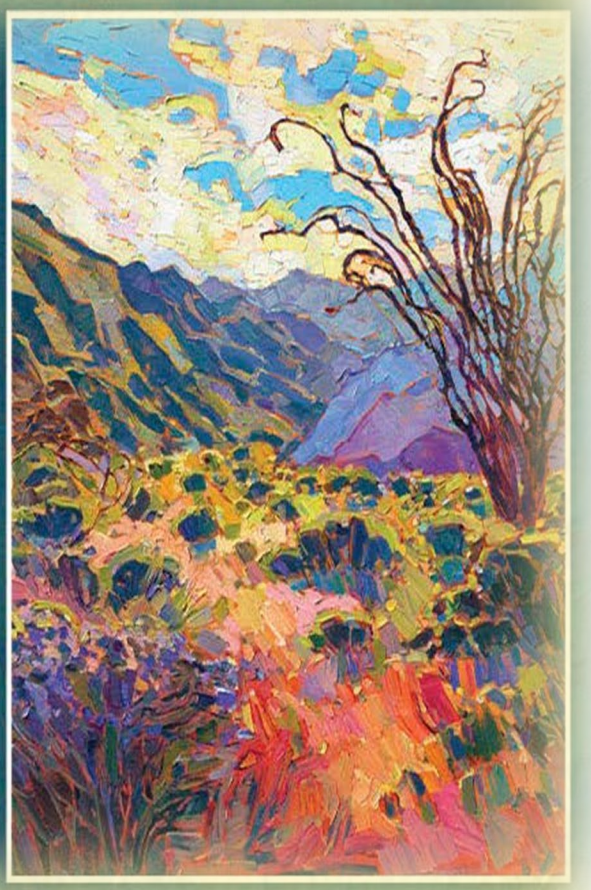
The desert shall
rejoice
and
blossom

ISAIAH 35:1



Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Ypsilanti, MI
December 14, 2025 – 3rd Sunday of Advent

rnWorship Key
P: Pastor
A: Assisting Ministers
C: Congregation

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose home is heaven and earth, whose salvation is sure.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Long-expected God,

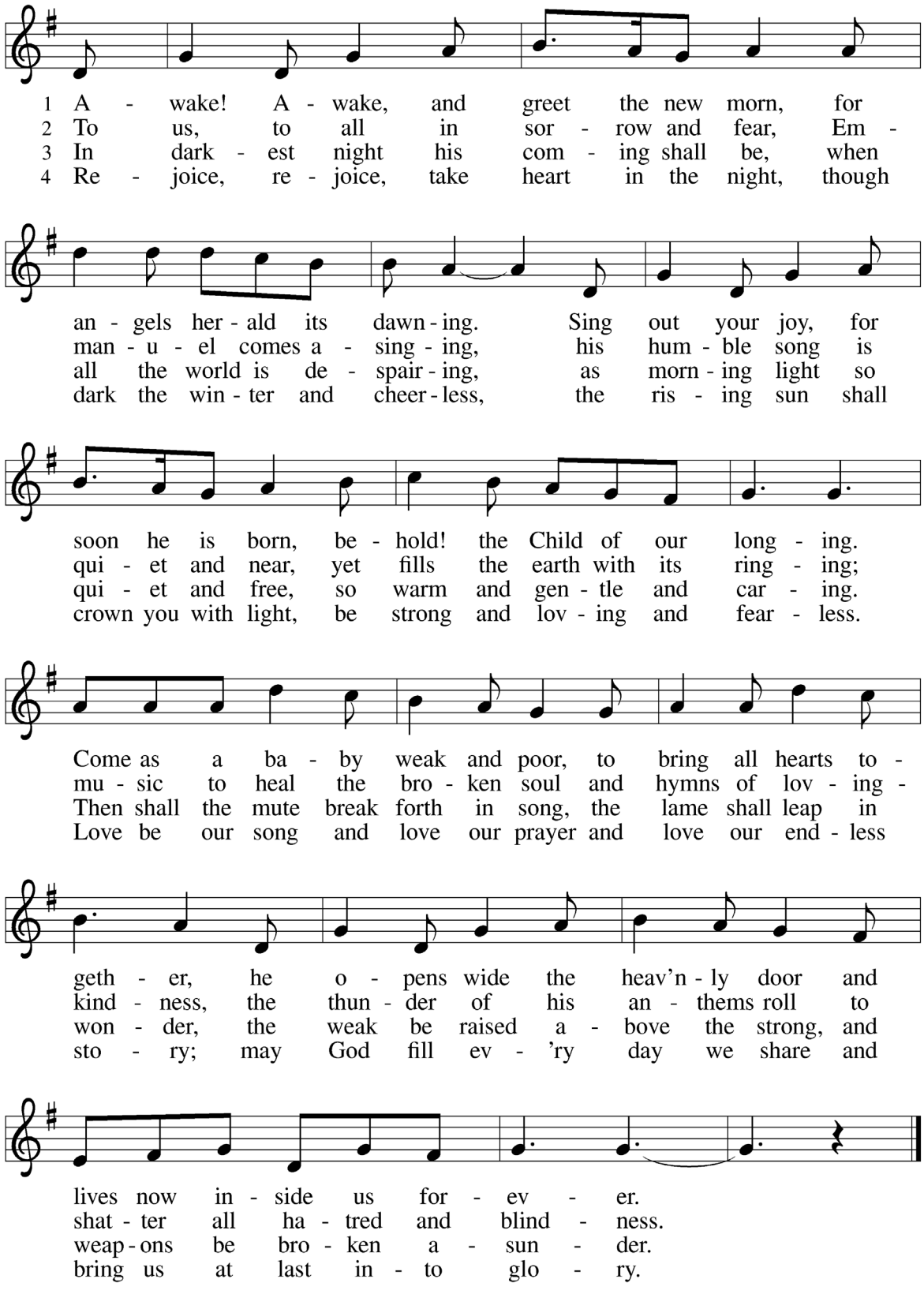
C: we confess that we look to ourselves for the peace and security only you can provide. We reach for swords and spears, reluctant to release our grip on the ways of war. We become impatient while waiting and weary of keeping awake. Free us from self-reliance, and teach us to live in harmony with our neighbors. Increase our trust in God's timing, and awaken us to your advent among us, that we may abound in the hope you have promised. Amen.

P: God judges us not as we deserve, but according to God's own righteousness. ☩ You are freed and forgiven, saved by grace, and ready to welcome the Savior.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ELW 242

"Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn"


1 A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, for
an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for
soon he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
geth - er, he o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
lives now in - side us for - ev - er.
2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, his hum - ble song is
qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;
mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing -
kind - ness, the thun - der of his an - thems roll to
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
3 In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, when
all the world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so
qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
Then shall the mute break forth in song, the lame shall leap in
won - der, the weak be raised a - bove the strong, and
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall
crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.
Love be our song and love our prayer and love our end - less
sto - ry; may God fill ev - 'ry day we share and
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
Music: REJOICE, REJOICE, Marty Haugen
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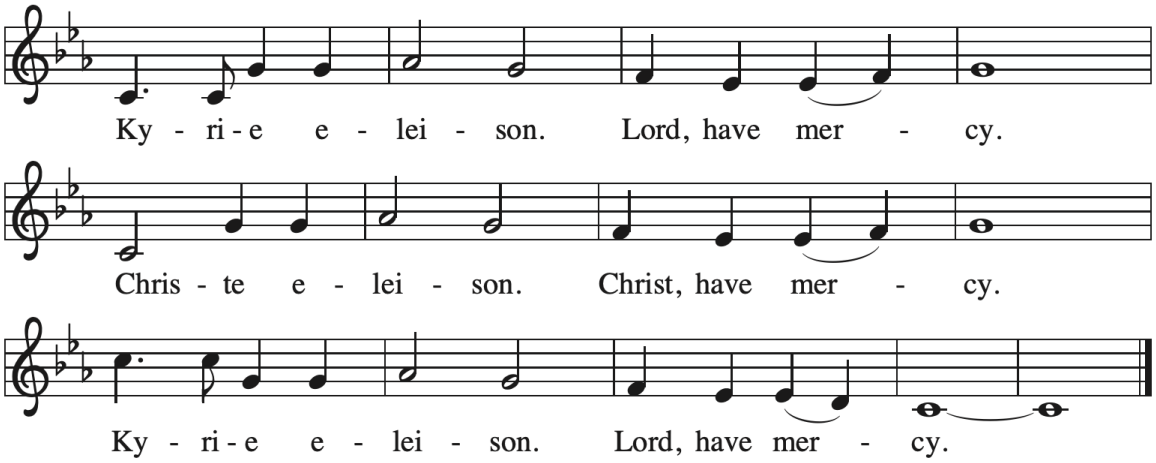
GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

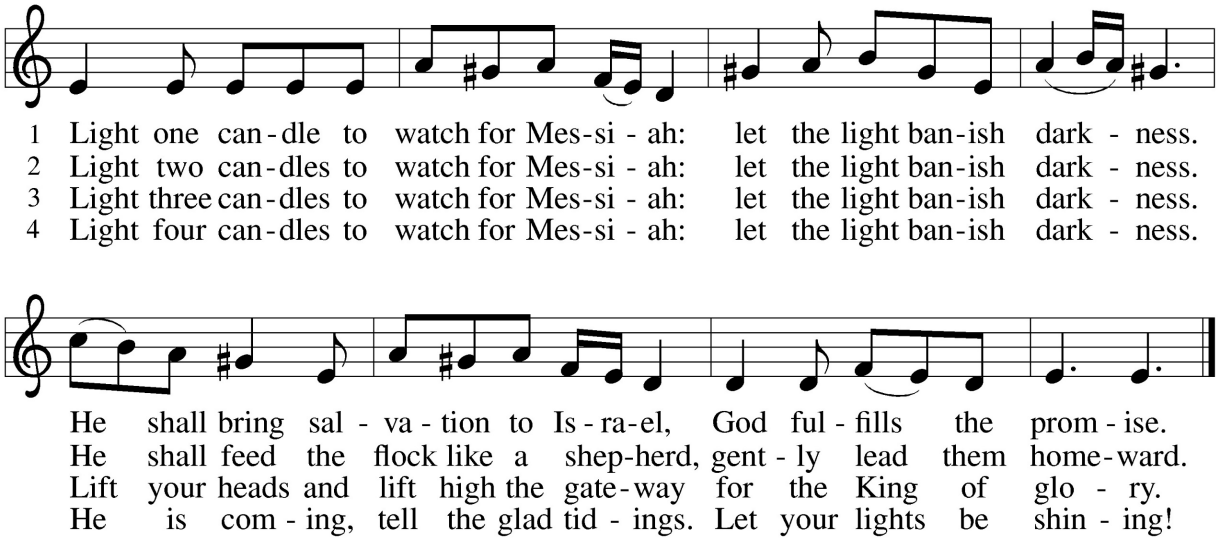


ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

P: We praise you, O God, for this victory wreath that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent. As we light the candles on this wreath, strengthen our hearts as we await the Lord's coming in glory. Enlighten us with your grace, that we may see our neighbors in need. Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

C: Amen.

ADVENT HYMN – *"Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah" (v.1-3)*


1 Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
2 Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
3 Light three can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
4 Light four can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.
He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra-el, God ful - fills the prom - ise.
He shall feed the flock like a shep-herd, gent - ly lead them home-ward.
Lift your heads and lift high the gate-way for the King of glo - ry.
He is com - ing, tell the glad tid - ings. Let your lights be shin - ing!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

C: Stir up the wills of all who look to you, Lord God, and strengthen our faith in your coming, that, transformed by grace, we may walk in your way; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 35:1-10

The prophet describes the return from the Babylonian captivity as a joyous procession to Zion. God's coming reign will bring a renewal of creation in which health and wholeness will be restored. There is no need for fear, for God is coming to save.

A: A reading from Isaiah.

[1] The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad;
the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus
[2] it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and shouting.
The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.
They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God.
[3] Strengthen the weak hands and make firm the feeble knees.
[4] Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
"Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God.
He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you."
[5] Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf shall be opened;
[6] then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert;
[7] the burning sand shall become a pool and the thirsty ground springs of water;
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp;
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

[8] A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way;
the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people;
no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray.
[9] No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;
they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there.
[10] And the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

A: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 146:5-10

[5] Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
[6] **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;**
who keeps promises forever;
[7] who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.
The LORD sets the captive free.
[8] **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind;**
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.
[9] The LORD cares for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.
[10] **The LORD shall reign forever,**
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: James 5:7-10

In anticipation of the Lord's coming, Christians are called upon to cultivate patience rather than discontent.

A: A reading from James.

7 Be patient, therefore, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord. The
farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it
receives the early and the late rains. 8 You also must be patient. Strengthen your
hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. 9 Brothers and sisters, do not
grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is
standing at the doors! 10 As an example of suffering and patience, brothers and
sisters, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

A: Word of God. Word of Life.
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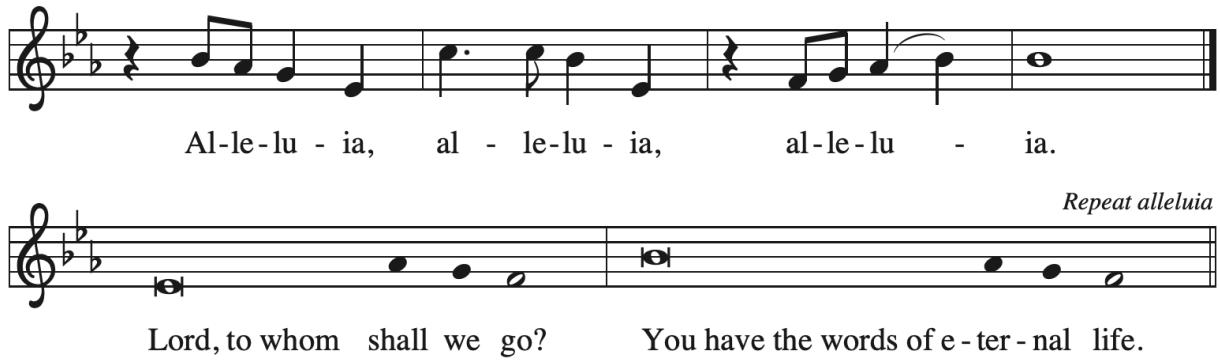
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 11:2-11

John the Baptist expects the Messiah to bring God's judgment upon the earth (Matt. 3:11-12). From a prison cell, he wonders whether Jesus is the one who will do this. Jesus' response indicates that God's reign is indeed being fulfilled already through healing and restoration.

P: The Gospel according to Matthew.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

2 When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his
disciples 3 and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait

for another?” [4] Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and
see: [5] the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, those with a skin disease are
cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news
brought to them. [6] And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.”
[7] As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: “What
did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the
wind? [8] What, then, did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes?
Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. [9] What, then, did you go
out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. [10] This is the
one about whom it is written,
‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way before you.’
[11] “Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than
John the Baptist, yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME — Rev. Joshua Rinas

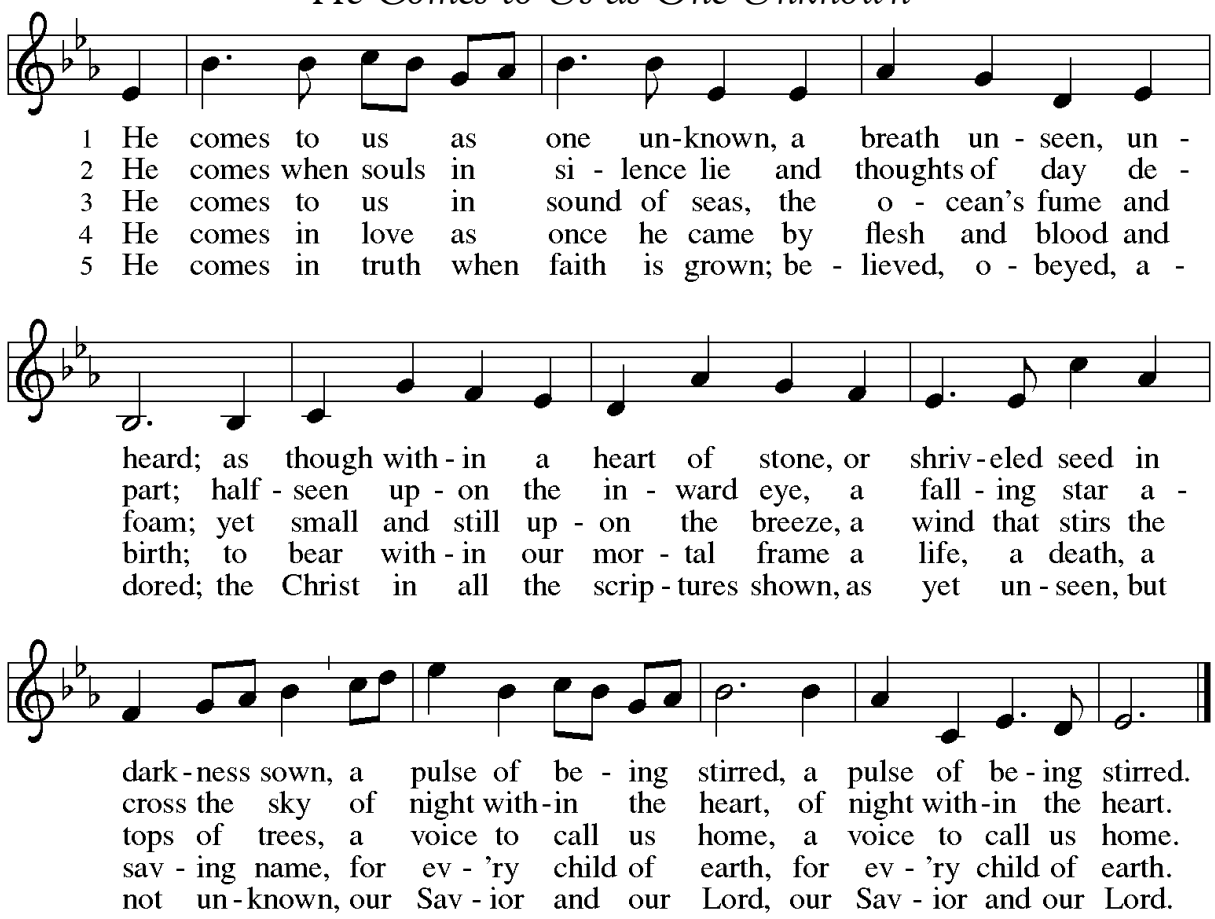
A special message for children.

SERMON — Rev. Joshua Rinas

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 737

"He Comes to Us as One Unknown"


1 He comes to us as one un-known, a breath un - seen, un -
heard; as though with - in a heart of stone, or shriv - eled seed in
dark - ness sown, a pulse of be - ing stirred, a pulse of be - ing stirred.
2 He comes when souls in si - lence lie and thoughts of day de -
part; half - seen up - on the in - ward eye, a fall - ing star a -
cross the sky of night with - in the heart, of night with - in the heart.
3 He comes to us in sound of seas, the o - cean's fume and
foam; yet small and still up - on the breeze, a wind that stirs the
tops of trees, a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.
4 He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and
birth; to bear with - in our mor - tal frame a life, a death, a
sav - ing name, for ev - 'ry child of earth, for ev - 'ry child of earth.
5 He comes in truth when faith is grown; be - lieved, o - beyed, a -
dored; the Christ in all the scrip - tures shown, as yet un - seen, but
not un - known, our Sav - ior and our Lord, our Sav - ior and our Lord.

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APOSTLES' CREED

A: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: In our waiting and watching, we come to you in prayer, O God, trusting your promise to renew the church, the nations, and the whole creation.

A brief silence.

A: God of power and mercy, we praise you for Jesus and his acts of healing and liberation. Lead us to proclaim the good news from generation to generation, that all may place their hope in you. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: When lands are parched and dry, bring rain and snow; where wilderness is barren, sow seeds of life. Fill the lands with trees that grow, plants that flower, and creatures that thrive, as nature proclaims the wonder of your works. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: When there is injustice or corruption among nations and leaders, root it out. Turn their attention to inequity and the cries of the poor. Instill a deeper sense of compassion and care in all who govern. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: When bodies weaken and hearts grow fearful, speak your blessing. We pray especially for John, Vicki, Elizabeth, Bonnie, Amanda, Louise, Bob, Diane, Gary, John, Cora, Ken, Lew, the family and friends of Loretta and of Patricia. In uncertain times, remind us of the promise spoken to our ancestors in faith. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: When people are imprisoned or held captive, break the chains and offer release. Strengthen the work of the church in restorative justice, breaking cycles of poverty, and welcoming the immigrant especially we pray for Washtenaw Refugee Welcome and Lutheran Social Services. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: For what else does this congregation pray? Prayers may be said aloud, typed into the live chat box, or silently in your hearts…

Brief Pause for the congregation to respond.

A: God of grace.
C: hear our prayer.

A: As we await your coming, we give thanks for the faithful who have lived and died in faith especially Mary, mother of Jesus, John of the Cross. May their boldness of faith inspire our witness and work. God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

A: Draw near to us, O God, as we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ, Emmanuel.
C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

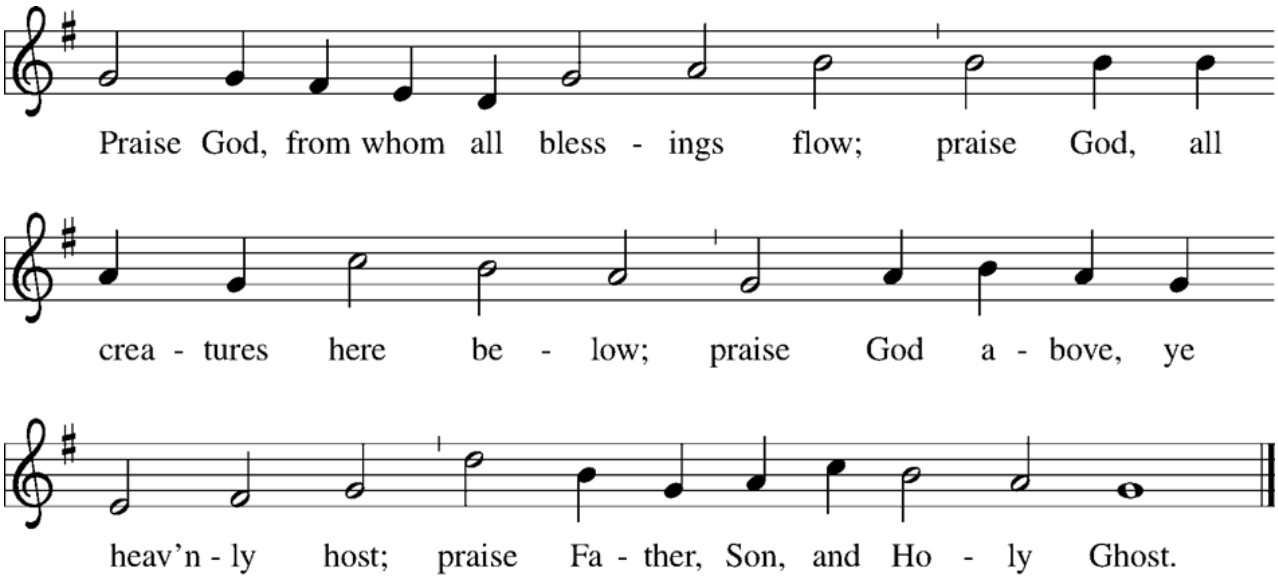
P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN – *"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"*


Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: Nourishing God, you are water in the wilderness and streams in the desert. Through this meal, satisfy our parched places, that we may rejoice and be for the world signs of your kingdom come. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

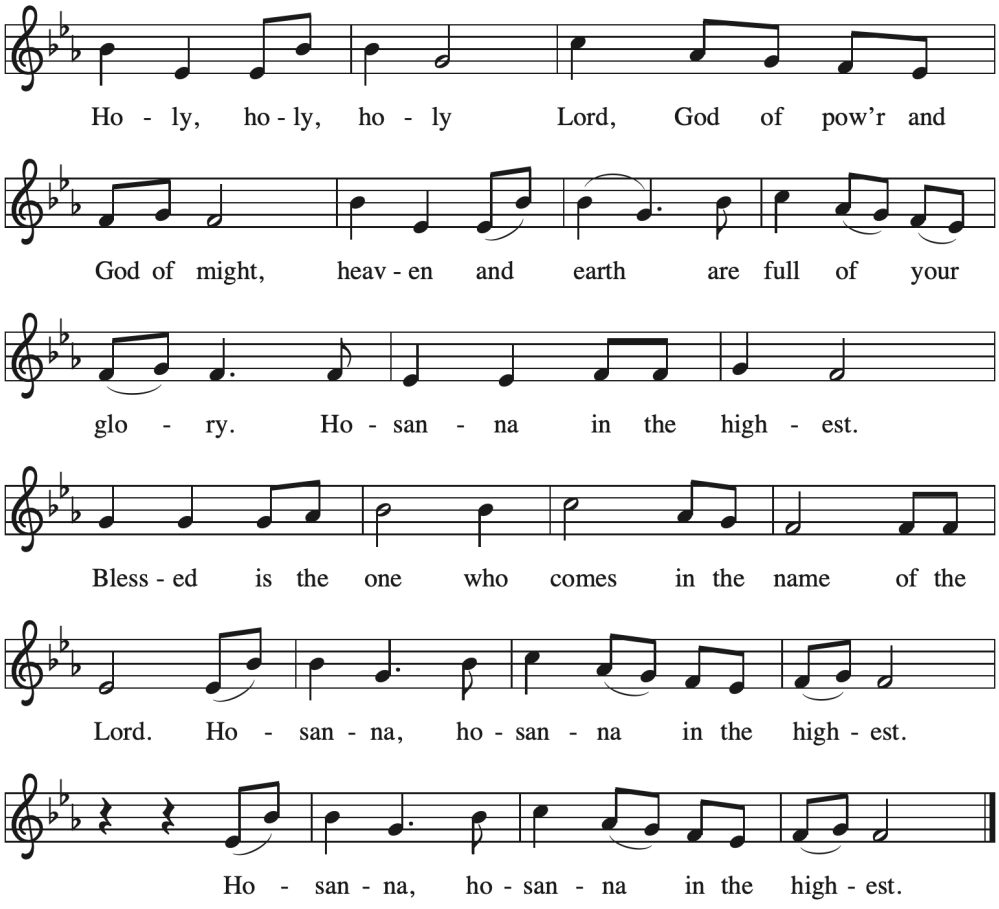
P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming. **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.

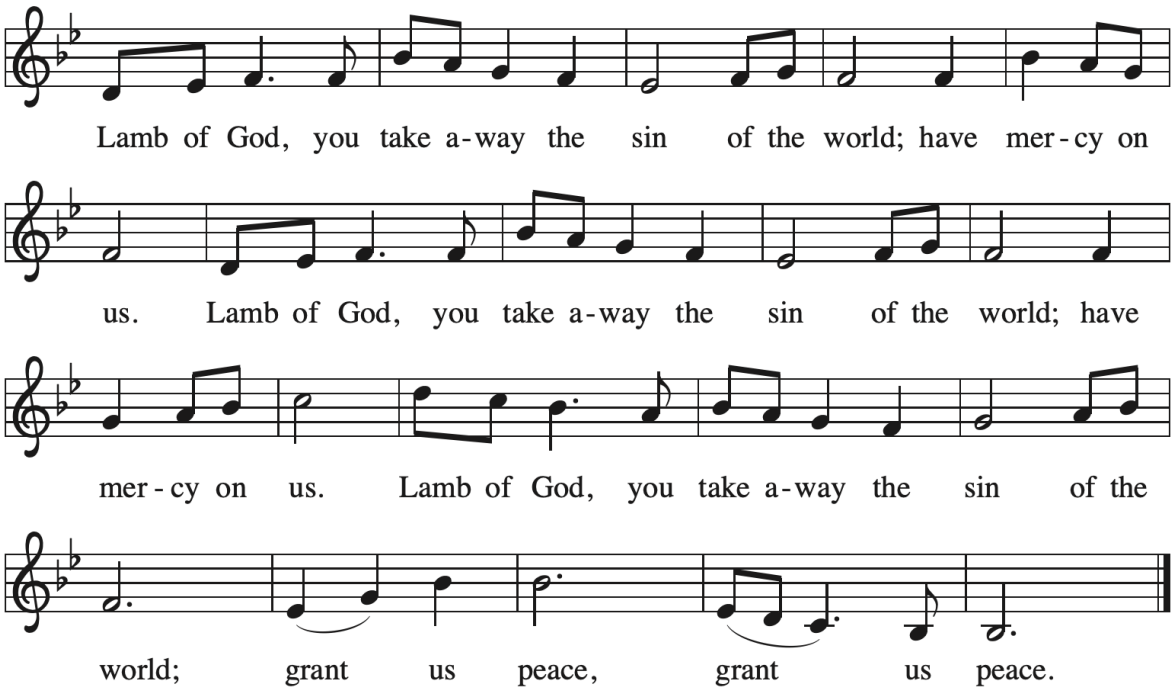
P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

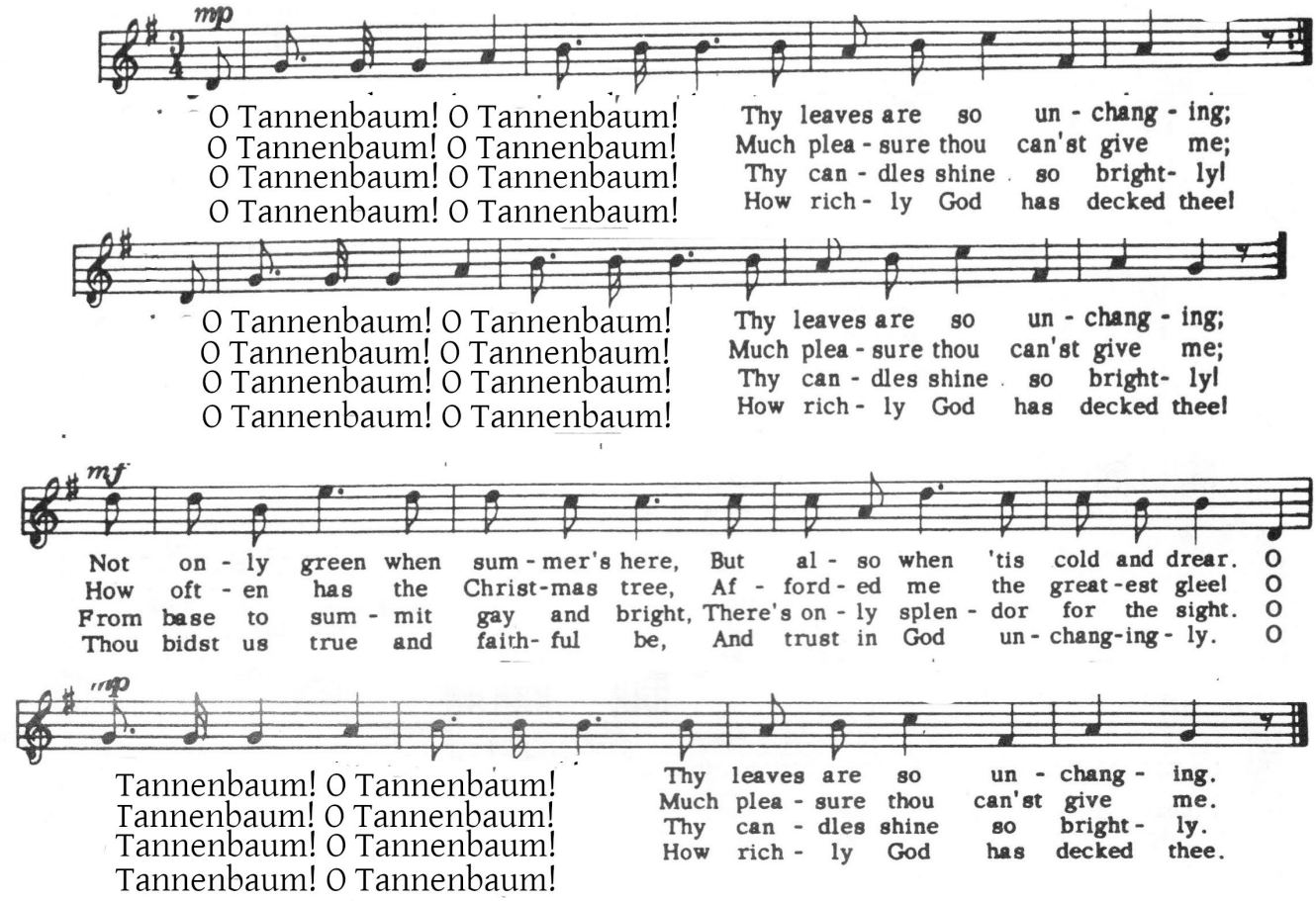
P. Here is life. God is with us. Come, receive what God has promised.

LAMB OF GOD


Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN - *"O Tannenbaum"*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O Tannenbaum! O Tannenbaum!
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O Tannenbaum! O Tannenbaum!
O Tannenbaum! O Tannenbaum!
Thy leaves are so un - chang - ing;
Much plea - sure thou can'st give me;
Thy can - dles shine so bright- ly!
How rich - ly God has decked thee!
O Tannenbaum! O Tannenbaum!
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Thy leaves are so un - chang - ing;
Much plea - sure thou can'st give me;
Thy can - dles shine so bright- ly!
How rich - ly God has decked thee!
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Not on - ly green when sum - mer's here, But al - so when 'tis cold and drear. O
How oft - en has the Christ-mas tree, Af - ford - ed me the great-est glee! O
From base to sum - mit gay and bright, There's on - ly splen - dor for the sight. O
Thou bidst us true and faith- ful be, And trust in God un - chang-ing - ly. O
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How rich - ly God has decked thee.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.

C: God our host, at this table you have fed us with joy and gladness. Send us forth, eager to share the feast, welcome the stranger, and bear good fruit in the name of Jesus. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

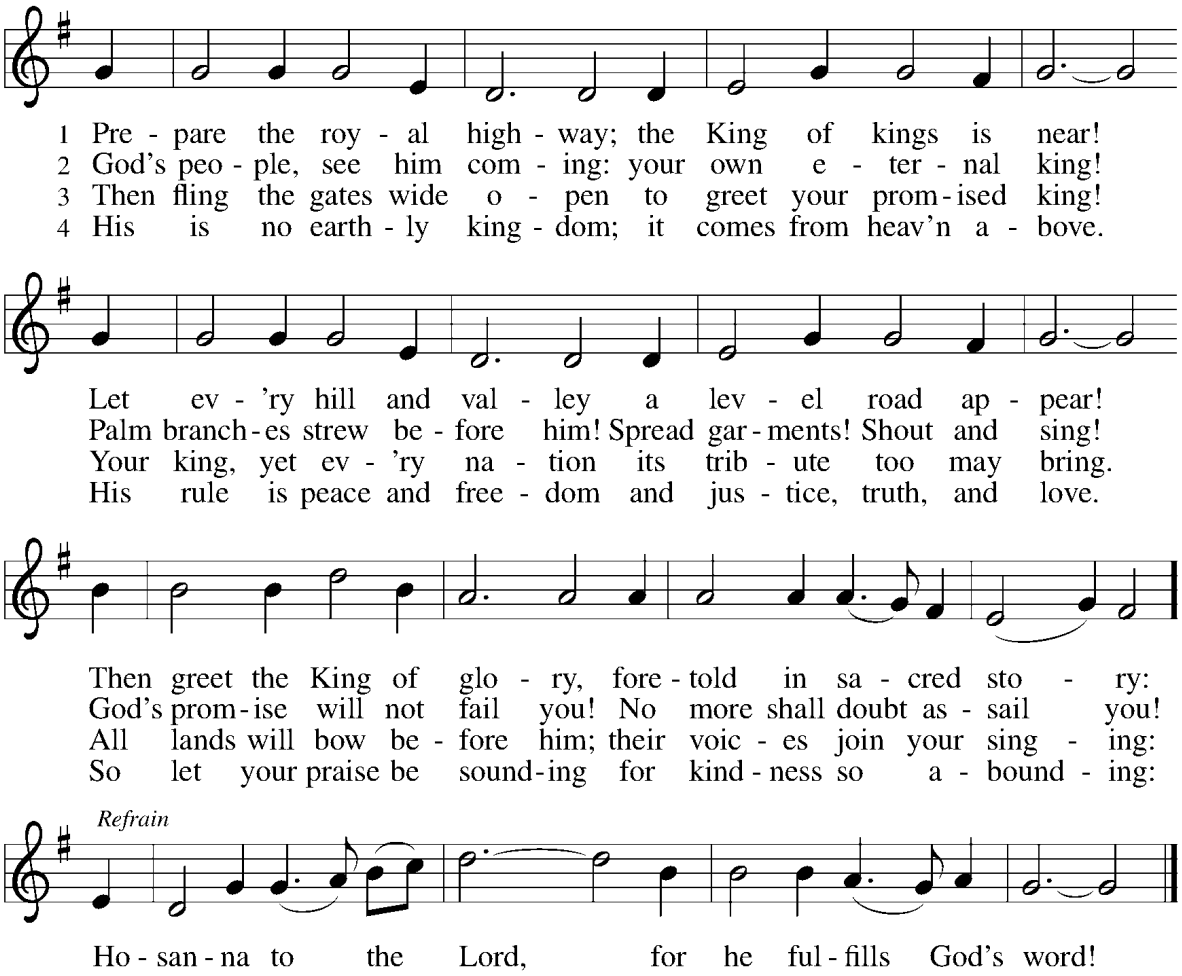
BLESSING

P: May God who comes among us, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
grant you patience in waiting, peace in the darkness,
and good news to share today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 264

"Prepare the Royal Highway"


1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near!
2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove.
Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear!
Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring.
His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.
Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing:
So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:
Refrain
Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's word!

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DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Keep awake.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! If this is your first time with us, please add your name and information to our Guest book located in the Narthex (Lobby), we would love to connect with you.

*Hearing assistance devices and cushions are available in the back pew. Please help yourself!
*Children's bulletins available, please see an usher.
*Printed copies of the Newsletter are in the magazine holder in the Narthex.
**Christ in Our Home* devotionals (October - December) can be found in the Narthex.
*Hand Sanitizers can be found in the Narthex and hanging at the end of the pews.

Please remember to wear your Name Tag

It's a help for visitors and folks you may not have seen for a while. If you need a new Name tag, please let Jennifer know.

Christmas Eve Services

There will be a Christmas Eve service at 6:00pm and 10:00pm. Poinsettias can be picked up after the 10pm service.

Let's Go Out to Eat!

You are invited for a social event for people to get to know each other better, invite a friend or two! Tuesday, December 16th at 5pm at Aubree's in Depot Town – located at 39 E. Cross St. Ypsilanti, MI. After dinner, you can head over to Emmanuel for Cookies, Cocoa, and Carols.

Cookies, Cocoa, and Carols

Please join us in the church overflow area on Tuesday, December 16th from 7:00pm -8:00pm for cookies, cocoa, and carols! Please bring some cookies and cocoa to share as we sing carols and just have some fellowship this Christmas season!

Our At Home Friends, that I'm sure would love a Christmas card.

Cora Hubbard, 23395 Karr Rd., Belleville, Mi 48111
Louise Conklin, 1301 Duncan St., Ypsilanti, Mi. 48198
Lewis Shock, 205 S. Clubview Dr., Ypsilanti, Mi.48197
Kathy Martin, 4 Elm St., Ypsilanti,. Mi. 48197

And a New address;
Charles & Judy Kyle, StoryPoint, 6230 State St., #214, Saline, Mi. 48176

Help Needed!
How can you help:

*Sorting donations in the Clothes Closet a separate time from Wednesday mornings. Flexible days, will not be working alone.
*Lead Tuesday Food Delivery, no experience necessary, training available. 1:30p until about 2:30 or 3p
*Weekly ongoing Wednesday morning Clothes Closet volunteer(s) to help with welcoming clients, restocking, assisting taking in donations. 8:30a-10:30a. No experience necessary.

If you can help with any of these needs, please email clothescloset@emmanuelypsi.org, call or text Karen Facer at 734-323-7925.

Financial Progress Report –
Attendance Sunday 12/7/25: 53 (snowy)
This past week (Dec 1 – Dec 7) we received income of: $25,343
Approved Budget: $285,719 *Needed Weekly:* $5,495

For the month of November we had:
- *Income:** $22,538
- *Expenses:* $20,577
- *November Balance:* $ 1,961
  - *Positive Nov balance due to:*
    - Income exceeds expense.
    - Includes investments positive change in value as of 10-31-25.
    - Received bequest from the estate of Virginia Basler.
    - Several generous member have donated above their 2025 pledge. Thank you!

Jan 1st through Nov 30th, we had:
- *Income:** $294,527
- *Expenses:* $255,242
- *YTD Balance:* $39,285
  - *Favorable YTD balance due to:*
    - Investments positive change in value @ 10-31-25.
    - Bequest from estate of Barb Maes.
    - Bequest from the estate of Virginia Basler.
    - Several generous members have donated above their 2025 pledge. Thank you!

Last year at November 30, 2024 our YTD balance was ($9,096). Thank you for your support.
*Income will not include the change in value of the Ministry Growth Fund investment until after the 15th of the following month.

Ways to Give: Giving can be done online by clicking here. Or mail checks to: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 201 N. River St., Ypsilanti, MI 48198.

Paypal: Select payment type "Friends and Family" using emmanuelypsi@gmail.com. Please indicate account (general fund, flowers, memorials, etc.) where it says add message.

Mobile App: Download the Vanco Payments Mobile app for free from Google Play. In the app, select your fund and amount, enter a payment method and complete the donation.

THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL

Sunday, December 14 – Third Sunday in Advent

- Handbell Choir 8:45am
- **Worship 10:00am**
- Coffee Hour 11:00am – 12:00pm
- Confirmation Class 11:30am
- Scouts 6:00pm

Tuesday, December 16

- Reach for the Stars Exercise Class 9:30am
- Food Gatherers delivery
- "Let's go Out to Eat" 5:00pm @Aubree's Depot Town
- Cookies, Cocoa, and Carols 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 17

- Bible Study Class 12:30pm – 2:00pm
- Food Pantry 3:00pm – 5:00pm
- AA Meeting 8:00pm – 9:00pm

Thursday, December 18

- Reach for the Stars Exercise Class 9:30am
- Refresh Committee 10:30am – 12:30pm

Friday, December 19

- NA Meeting 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Sunday, December 21 – Fourth Sunday in Advent

- Handbell Choir 8:45am
- Chancel Choir 9:30am
- **Worship 10:00am**
- Coffee Hour 11:00am – 12:00pm
- **COUNCIL MEETING**
- Scouts 6:00pm

The flowers on the altar today are given in Glory to God.

For those with young children: Emmanuel's "Pray-Ground" is located at the front of the church. We welcome and encourage families with children to use this area; where your children can quietly play with soft toys, books, and do arts and crafts. Please don't worry about noise—worship leaders have microphones!

Prayers requested for: John, Vicki, Elizabeth, Bonnie, Amanda, Louise, Bob, Diane, Gary, John, Cora, Ken, Lew, the family and friends of Loretta and of Patricia.

Assisting Ministers Needed!
Sign up on the sheet outside the office or call the office; Or through sign-up genius. Click here or Scan QR code

Links:
Livestream Worship - https://www.youtube.com/@emmanuelypsi
Giving Online - Online donation
Clothes Closet - ClothesCloset@emmanuelypsi.org
Food Pantry - FoodPantry@emmanuelypsi.org

Serving in Worship:
Interim Pastor..... Rev. Joshua Rinas
Minister of Worship Music..... David Meitzler
Minister of Choral Conducting..... Jamie Gallupe
Assisting Minister..... Wendy Thompson

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